

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A telecommunications assembly comprising:
 - A) a chassis;
 - B) a plurality of splitter cards mounted within the chassis, each of the splitter cards including:
 - a circuit board;
 - a line connector connected to the circuit board;
 - a data connector connected to the circuit board;
 - a voice connector connected to the circuit board;
 - a plurality of splitters connected to the circuit board;
 - the connectors including contacts electrically connected to termination posts that extend through the circuit board such that ends of the termination posts are exposed;
 - the circuit board including conductive paths for electrically connecting the line, data and voice connectors to the splitters; and
 - C) dielectric insulator members connected to the circuit boards so as to cover the exposed ends of the termination posts.
2. (Original) The telecommunications assembly of claim 1, wherein the line, data and voice connectors are 50 pair connectors, and wherein each splitter card includes 24 splitters.
3. (Original) The telecommunications assembly of claim 1, wherein the splitter cards are stacked vertically within the chassis.

4. (Original) The telecommunications assembly of claim 1, wherein the dielectric insulator members are fastened to the circuit boards.
5. (Original) The telecommunications assembly of claim 1, wherein the dielectric insulators are strips.
6. (Original) The telecommunications assembly of claim 5, wherein the strips each include a generally rectangular midportion and mounting flanges that project outwardly from the mid portion, the mounting flanges defining openings for receiving fasteners.
7. (Original) The telecommunications assembly of claim 6, wherein the mounting flanges are thinner than the midportion.
8. (Original) The telecommunications assembly of claim 7, wherein the midportion defines a recess for receiving the exposed ends of the termination posts.
9. (Original) The telecommunications assembly of claim 8, wherein the recess is generally rectangular.
10. (Previously Presented) A splitter card comprising:
 - a circuit board;
 - a first connector connected to the circuit board;
 - a second connector connected to the circuit board;
 - a third connector connected to the circuit board;
 - a plurality of splitters connected to the circuit board;
 - the connectors including contacts electrically connected to termination posts that extend through the circuit board such that ends of the termination posts are exposed; and
 - dielectric insulator members connected to the circuit board so as to cover the exposed ends of the termination posts.

11. (Previously Presented) The splitter card of claim 10, wherein the first, second and third connectors are 50 pair connectors, and wherein the splitter card includes 24 splitters.
12. (Original) The splitter card of claim 10, wherein the dielectric insulator member is fastened to the circuit board.
13. (Original) The splitter card of claim 10, wherein the dielectric insulator is a strip.
14. (Original) The splitter card of claim 13, wherein the strip includes a generally rectangular midportion and mounting flanges that project outwardly from the mid portion, the mounting flanges defining openings for receiving fasteners.
15. (Original) The splitter card of claim 14, wherein the mounting flanges are thinner than the midportion.
16. (Original) The splitter card of claim 15, wherein the midportion defines a recess for receiving the exposed ends of the termination posts.
17. (Original) The splitter card of claim 16, wherein the recess is generally rectangular.
18. (Original) A telecommunications card comprising:
 - a circuit board;
 - one or more telecommunications connectors connected to the circuit board;
 - the connectors including contacts electrically connected to termination posts that extend through the circuit board such that ends of the termination posts are exposed; and
 - dielectric insulator members connected to the circuit board so as to cover the exposed ends of the termination posts.

19. (Original) The telecommunications card of claim 18, wherein the dielectric insulator member is fastened to the circuit board.
20. (Original) The telecommunications card of claim 18, wherein the dielectric insulator is a strip.
21. (Original) The telecommunications card of claim 20, wherein the strip includes a generally rectangular midportion and mounting flanges that project outwardly from the midportion, the mounting flanges defining openings for receiving fasteners.
22. (Original) The telecommunications card of claim 21, wherein the mounting flanges are thinner than the midportion.
23. (Original) The telecommunications card of claim 22, wherein the midportion defines a recess for receiving the exposed ends of the termination posts.
24. (Original) The telecommunications card of claim 23, wherein the recess is generally rectangular.
25. (Original) The telecommunication card of claim 18, further comprising fasteners that provide a dual function of connecting the insulator members to the circuit board and stabilizing the connectors.
26. (Currently Amended) An insulator for covering exposed termination posts projecting from a circuit board of a telecommunications device, the insulator comprising:
an elongated dielectric strip including a midportion and two mounting flanges that project outwardly from opposite ends of the midportion, the strip being constructed to mount to a circuit board;
the mounting flanges defining openings for receiving fasteners; and

the mid portion defining a recess for receiving the exposed termination posts projecting from the circuit board, the recess having a length that extends along a majority of a total length of the dielectric strip.

27. (Original) The insulator of claim 26, wherein the recess is rectangular.
28. (Original) The insulator of claim 26, wherein the mounting flanges are thinner than the midportion.
29. (Original) The insulator of claim 26, wherein the mounting flanges are rounded.
30. (Original) The insulator of claim 26, wherein the recess is sized to receive at least 50 of the termination posts.
31. (Original) The insulator of claim 30, wherein the recess has a length in the range of 2-3 inches, a width in the range of .16-.60 inches and a depth in the range of .05-.1 inches.
32. (New) A telecommunications assembly comprising:
 - A) a chassis;
 - B) a plurality of splitter cards mounted within the chassis, each of the splitter cards including:
 - a circuit board;
 - a line connector connected to the circuit board;
 - a data connector connected to the circuit board;
 - a voice connector connected to the circuit board;
 - a plurality of splitters mounted to the circuit board;
 - the connectors including contacts electrically connected to termination posts that extend through the circuit board such that ends of the termination posts are exposed;

the circuit board including conductive paths for electrically connecting the line, data and voice connectors to the splitters; and

C) dielectric insulator members mounted to the circuit boards so as to cover the exposed ends of the termination posts.

33. (New) A splitter card comprising:

a circuit board;

a first connector connected to the circuit board;

a second connector connected to the circuit board;

a third connector connected to the circuit board;

a plurality of splitters mounted to the circuit board;

the connectors including contacts electrically connected to termination posts that extend through the circuit board such that ends of the termination posts are exposed; and

dielectric insulator members mounted to the circuit board so as to cover the exposed ends of the termination posts.